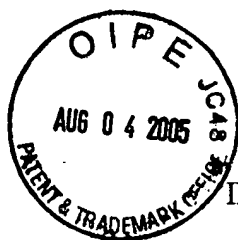


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August 4, 2005

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed May 4, 2005, in the above-styled patent application, please amend the application as indicated and consider the appended remarks. Applicant believes that the present amendments distinguish the claims over the prior art and thus place the rejected claims in condition for allowance.

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